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I-Week: Beyond Our Borders



Above: Petra and Jan of the Aboriginal Students Office serving Indian Tacos in the cafeteria during I-Week

By Nihal Titmamer, Co-Editor

The world has become a global village. Malaria killing a child in a village in Africa is a global issue. An alarming increase in the rate of HIV/AIDS in developing world is of global concern. Genocide in the western Sudanese region of Darfur deserves a global attention. The plight of billions of people trapped in extreme poverty in the developing world is of equal concern. Suicide bomb attacks on the streets of Baghdad and Kandahar are like in our backyard. Whether you believe it or not, we have reached a stage in the world where we must look beyond our borders and stop responding to a distant problem by saying: "who cares, it's not in our backyard." Indeed, the University of Alberta has been looking beyond its borders and has been telling the world that it cares when these global problems were the focus of discussion during its signature annual international week event held from January 28 to February 1, 2008.

International Week has been conducted yearly for 23 years with the aim of fostering global citizenship through positive contribution to shape the most pressing issues of our time.

This year International Week event coincided with the University's Centenary Commemoration. Designed to reflect the commemoration, the theme of this year event is: "Addressing Global Challenges: 100 Years and Beyond."

The event featured keynote speeches, presentations, art exhibitions and concerts. From Monday to Thursday, there was a keynote speaker for each day. Friday was dedicated to art exhibitions. Keynote speakers included world class economist, Nobel Laureate, top notch doctor and a renowned human rights activist. These men and women have fought in their capacities, localities and field of working to shape the world in a better way.

Augustana Campus itself had no major activities during the I-Week except the showcasing of some international dishes in its cafeteria and viewing of keynote speeches from North Campus through webcast at the Old Main.

Dr. Sima Samar, a renowned Afghan human right activist and the chair of the Independent Afghan Human Right Commission delivered a keynote address on Monday the 28th of January stressing security and law enforcement as key factors for improvement of human rights condition in her country.

"The rights of women and human rights will not be a reality unless there is enough security and law enforcement in the country," she said.

Afghanistan has been a centre of global attention following the terrorists attack on the USA on September 11, 2001. Since that time, NATO troops has been in Afghanistan hunting Osama bin Laden, the leader of Al Qaeda Network and the mastermind of the USA attack on September 11, after being given a safe haven there by the then ruling Taliban following eviction from Sudan in 1996.

After the Taliban was overthrown and new Afghan government was established, Dr. Samar said many challenges still continue including the strong presence of opponents of women's rights, continuation of factional fighting, displacement, raping and violence against women.

Dr. Paul Farmer, a world renowned medical doctor who has treated the poor in the developing world delivered his keynote speech on Tuesday the 29th of January, 2008.

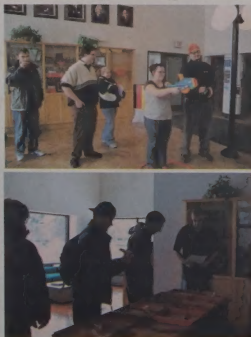
"This university is 100 years old and should be self-critical. There's lots of wealth and resources in this part of the world, and, as I was saying, the President, for example, talked about the notion of citizenship. So how can universities like this with all its resources strengthen its citizenship outside of this area?" he said amid applause.

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On Thursday, February 7, U of A's Student Council came down and held a pizza party and mini talent (hula hoop and nerf gun accuracy) competition. The event was a warm-up event for Campus' Got Talent, a fun talent show to be held on main campus during the day on March 19.

Transportation for Augustana students is being looked into. Above Left: Ruth Foged set a U of A 07/08 record on the hula hoop with 15 min. 14 sec. The previous record was around 10 minutes. Higher Right: Students try out the nerf gun, trying to land the foam balls in hoops. Lower Right: Pizza Party!



What does ASS mean, anyway?

By Leslie Lindballe

If you are anything like me, you've had your head in the clouds, in your books, or up your own... well, finish the thought for yourself, during your time here on campus. Student elections seemed like one of those strange things that happened every once in a while which had nothing to do with you. All you had to do was put an X in the only available box and use it as an excuse for being late for class. If you're not like me and actually know what the SA is and what they do, give yourself a hero cookie and feel free to skip this article and check out the lovely photos in the centerfold. But if you're interested, then let me introduce a couple members of the SA and tell you what it is that they do for you.

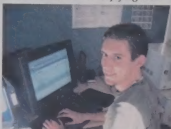
First of all, what is the SA and how is it run? Well, the elections that happen in the spring decide who will be in the Executive Committee for the following year. These positions come with such coveted titles as President, VP Finance and Operations, VP Communications and External Affairs, and VP Student Life. They are expected to chair committees relevant to their post, hold office hours to answer your questions, and participate in various meetings. They also get a cool office in the Faith and Life building. In addition to the Executive Committee, fall elections are run to fill the 11 seats held by the Student Council. The Council members are expected to fill an office hour a week and help the Executive implement plans in their respective areas.

So who are all these people? Well, if you are one of them, surely you know who you are, but if not, let me introduce the members of the Executive.

Thomas Mauthe is enjoying the challenge of his first year as SA President. He decided to get into the student political body in order to be more involved with campus life. As an off-campus student, he felt left out of the school community and decided to change that by running for President (nothing like jumping right in!). An enlightening talk with him let me know what has been happening on campus while we were all enjoying the 35 degree weather this summer (sigh, just remember). A series of talks with Dean Epp centered on securing a long term contract for the coffee house in its present location. Part of this discussion yielded the fabulous environment we are all presently enjoying in the coffee house, including the fresh coat of paint, new pool table, 52" plasma TV and new furniture. I know my group meetings have become far more comfortable since the changes have taken place.

Student space continues to be an ongoing goal of our dear President and I hope that this will translate into putting a bench back outside the West Faith and Life doors.

Karen Wedel may not need an introduction as she is enjoying her 3rd



Thomas Mauthe, SA President

year on the Executive Committee. As VP Student Life, she also gets the lion's share of student contact through the events she organizes, such as coordinating those glorious people of O-Team. Outside of the regular bashes on campus, Karen's goal this year is to make sure everyone has a good time. Karen's also responsible for managing the diverse clubs on campus, which she sees as a vital part of student life. She meets monthly with the clubs (usually on the first Thursday of the month) and relies on them to spearhead the small gatherings that fill in the campus social life. She concentrates on the big events and is trained in alcohol awareness in order

to ensure that our students are coming home safely. "Any event is a good event where no one ends up sleeping under a tree... or in jail."



Karen Wedel, VP Student Life

Makrina Scott decided that she would like to be a part of the SA when she helped plan last year's formal. As the VP Communications and External Affairs, Makrina is involved in many off-campus affairs (not the seedy kind! Get your head out of the gutter!). Makrina is our voice in the North Campus Student's Union and is required to make the long trek to Edmonton to bring Augustana's voice to the SU table. She also works within the community of Camrose to raise awareness of what we are doing on our campus, reflected in her work for the "Make Poverty History" campaign and "Tricks for Eats" which is run in conjunction with the Chaplaincy and Res. Life.

I would argue that Kelsey Rabin has the most difficult job of the Executive. She is the VP Finance and

Vote for Candidates in the Student Council Spring Elections, March 5th and 6th!

Also, you can run for Student Council yourself! Fill out an Election Package from the Students' Association Office, F203. But hurry—nominations close on Thursday, February 14. Positions available:

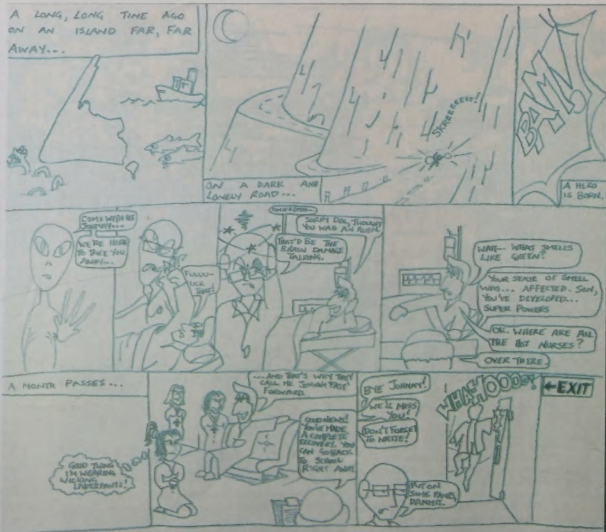
- President
- VP Finance and Operations
- VP Communication and External Affairs
- VP Student Life and Activities
- (2) Second Year Reps
- Third Year Rep
- Fourth Year Rep
- (2) Off Campus Reps
- (2) Councilors At Large

Operations, though as a business major she probably doesn't have as much difficulty with numbers as I do. She joined the SA to be more involved with the student body and to help her friends take on the difficult task of contributing to the Augustana experience. On the operations side of things, she is required to sit on a number of committees, one of which has drafted a policy on representation.

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License To Nils. By Nils Anderson

A strip based on some of the biathletes and what Nils does with his time. Look for more to come!



University's Board of Governors Approved Fee Increase

By Nihal Tittmeyer, Co-Editor

In the last week of January 2008, the University of Alberta's Board of Governors voted to increase tuition fees by 4.6 percent. The Board also approved an increase of residence fees by 8.75 percent at the main campus

and 5.8 percent at Augustana Campus. The increase in tuition fees followed a 3.3 percent increase in less than a year. The new increase in fees will come into effect in September 2008. General arts and sciences tuition fees will amount to \$4,901.55. Faculties of Law, Medicine, and dentistry as well as MBA program

got differential tuition fees increases. Tuition increase is tied to the Canadian Price Index (CPI) which is the maximum allowed by the government while the residence fee increase at Augustana include a 1.2% increase in addition to CPI for deferred maintenance cost.

Students' representatives voiced their opposition to the fee increase. Augustana Students' Association (ASA) led by its President Thomas Mauthe gathered 160 signatures in protest. On the 25th of January 2008, Mauthe and his colleagues in ASA woke up as earlier as 5 a.m. and hit the road to Edmonton

at 6:30 a.m. to attend the Board of Governors' meeting to present students' views.

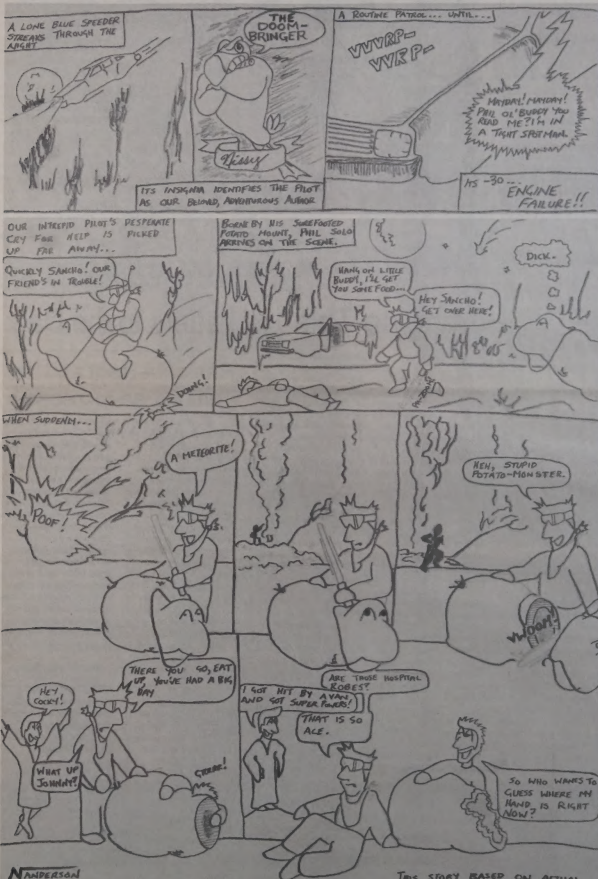
"I feel it is the role of the Augustana Students' Association to exercise every opportunity that we have to present the students' point of view, even if it often seems like they go unheard. As students it is our responsibility to make sure the Board puts serious consideration into why they keep raising tuition and residence fees," Thomas Mauthe, ASA President told The Dagbladet.

Asked what reasons the Board of Governors gave for increasing fees, Mauthe said that University Provost and Vice President (Academic) Carl Amrhein had told them that fee hikes were necessary in order to cover the cost of salaries as well as maintenance cost. Provost and VP Academic Carl Amrhein argued that the University of Alberta is still a bargain in comparison to other education institutions in North America. However he said he understood financial difficulties students sometimes face but hoped that they will understand the value of those sacrifices.

Asked what he thought about the fee increase, Thomas Mauthe said, "I understand that the residences are operated on a cost-recovery basis, and as such can appreciate the logic of passing rising operating expenses on to current students. [However] I do not feel that the responsibility should fall on the current students to cover the cost of deferred maintenance."

"I fear that by increasing the burden on students the University is effectively becoming less affordable and less accessible to the high-quality students that they aim to attract," Thomas told The Dagbladet.

"I share the University's vision to foster, engage, integrate and enrich the students' experience, but feel we must do so with affordability taking priority," he said.



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THIS STORY BASED ON ACTUAL
EVENTS... ESPECIALLY THE
MASTURBATING.

Want to say something...

Opinion

...We'll listen

Some Musings on Candy

By Nathan Cole

So a few weeks ago now we got those registration packets. I'm graduating, so I don't need my packet. But someone pointed out that I should at least go get my chocolate bar. I'd even thought about it, but I hadn't because it felt too awkward to just go up and ask for it.

"Hi. I don't need a packet. I'm graduating. But I can still have a chocolate bar?"

So then, around this time, I was talking to a couple of friends, and I started, "You know, I wonder why..."

But I got cut off. "Oh, that's just Nathan," she said to my other friend, "he does this a lot, just rambling off on whatever."

I thought quickly: "What... Bu... Hu..." It was not quickly enough. A few hours later, though, I did figure out what I should've said: "Hey, I'm a philosophy major, baby. Someday you're gonna have to pay for this. Just be glad you're in on the ground floor." Unfortunately, by then I was alone and no one heard it.

So I guess now anyone who feels likewise should go now.

Really, it's OK. So anyone I think it's weird just how exciting those chocolate bars are. I mean, it's understandable that they're the most exciting thing at the table; the registration packets are thin, white, dry, and almost flavorless. But some people, sometimes including me, seem almost gleeful at these chocolate bars.

So let's go over a few

points quickly:

1. Chocolate bars cost about a dollar.
2. Most of us have dollars.

So what's the big deal? A free dollar's nice, but not life shattering. I think it has something to do with the fact that there we don't choose to get a chocolate bar. Well, I mean, we could refuse it,

but who refuses something free? I think when we get the bar for free then we aren't responsible for it, and it doesn't matter that we're on a diet, or that we already had dessert, or that it's against our new year's resolutions, or whatever. It's not our fault. It's like we've gotten permission to have a treat from what, right now, is our closest form of authority.

If someone was going to buy a chocolate bar themselves, they need to justify it. And chocolate bars are bad for you and we all know better uses for the money. So most of us, at least the good, responsible ones, don't get them very often. Or maybe this is mostly just me.

And this meshes with how we act around the chocolate bars. Students giggle self-consciously and say that it's "awesome".

So I guess my conclusion, though it was created hastily and lazily, is that we like permission to have a treat because we're not entirely sure where the balance between discipline and indulgence should be (we're still, you know, not entirely used to this whole "being responsible adults" thing). The University comes along and says we should



Imagine This

By Adrienne Levy

Imagine This: You wake up one morning and head for your eight 'o' clock class that you actually paid over four hundred and fifty dollars for. Before you head to one of the most expensive schools in Canada, you decide to go visit grandma in long-term care; why not? She's been woken up at five in the morning to get ready for the day because there just aren't enough staff and funding to provide seniors with dignifying care. However, this plan becomes foiled due to an attack of killer bees that have headed up here from the U.S. due to global warming. You get to the doctor's to get the lifesaving sting-antidote and the pharmacist tells you that it is not covered

indulge, and we're glad to oblige because it's a weight off our shoulders. And the chocolate's nice.

by your Alberta Health Care premium; in fact, neither is the ambulance ride you just took after the bee attack. So here you are, swollen with student debt, basically no health care, no guarantee that your landlord won't raise your rent by 200% and the only way you'll ever own your own house will be if you lock yourself into a sixty-year mortgage.

Why has Alberta, the wealthiest province in Canada, come to this: a land of drillers, CEOs and Conservatives? Well, it may be that we, the up and coming "adults" of our generation (believe it or not), have neglected to get off of our soft, complacent university butts and vote. We are young, we are large in numbers, we envision a different life for ourselves and for our children, and we should believe in a government that does NOT shine the shoes of oil companies at the

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Letters to the Dag

Resident Rent and Tuition Fee Increase

I'll tell you what I think about the increase of resident rent and tuition fee by the University of Alberta's Board of Governors.

It's my opinion that students are paying too much money to go to school, whether they're international students or local students. I think that acceptance into university should be based on academic performance and not one's financial situation.

With that being said the increase in residence fees are another matter. It is expensive to house and feed students

all year round but I think that the university should look toward the government to aid in funding as opposed to raising the price on students. In the current Albertan economy with our large surplus, there is no excuse for the government not to provide more financial aid and funding. It's reasonable that some prices will always rise with the natural inflation of our economy, but we should look to our government to keep prices manageable.

- Malcolm Abercrombie

The Aboriginal Students Office would like to thank Bridget Fanta for the use of her "Fried Bread and Hot

Chocolate Cathering" photo which appeared in the December 2007 edition of the Dagbladet. Hiy Hiy Bridget!

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Dissatisfied with something on campus?
Dissatisfied with an issue in the world?

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Dr. Farmer stressed the importance of responding to what he called "the needs of the people we are trying to serve, rather than the needs of the university and its students." He said the best way for the university to serve students is by serving other people in need.

"That is the best kind of citizenship I can think of - citizenship that underlies our responsibilities to one another," he said echoing the University's this year I-Week theme of addressing global challenges.

Delivering keynote address on Wednesday, Jody Williams, the 1997 Nobel Peace Prize winner for her success to ban antipersonnel landmines, stressed the need to take action on global issues rather than worrying about them.

"I believe that worrying about the problems plaguing our planet without taking steps to confront them is absolutely irrelevant. The only thing that changes this world is taking action," Williams said. She believes that sharing and disseminating information among people with the same goal can make a campaign for an issue effective.

"Information is power, so if you give everyone in the campaign the same information, everyone has the same power to make change," she said.

Ms. Williams stressed the importance of global security saying it will be an elusive dream unless the world focuses on "human security" instead of "national security."

"Real security comes when we work together in government, the military, in civil society, as global citizens, to bring security to the globe so we're all secure. And I'm not doing it because I'm benevolent about the world. I want to be safe," she said.

Prof. Jeffrey Sachs, the Thursday keynote speaker could not come to Edmonton to deliver his speech because he was asked by the United Nations Secretary General Ban Ki-Moon to accompany him to Africa Union Summit in Addis Ababa in Ethiopia. However, Prof. Sachs managed to make a video presentation while in Ethiopia. A recipient of several awards and author of many books, Prof. Sachs drew attention to what he described as "unprecedented burden of human activities" on planet earth. He said despite huge economic growth in recent time in countries such as India,

poverty still exists at an alarming rate, one of the factors being population number exceeding the level of economic resources.

Sachs blamed lack of modern technology for the trapping of billions of people in developing world in extreme poverty. "The poorest got left out in the technological progress," he said. Named by Time Magazine in 2004 and 2005 as one of world 100 most influential leaders, Sachs suggested that one of the solutions for global poverty is devising new technologies to produce more food in the developing world.

On Oil Reserves

Dear editor,

I want to make an issue of oil. Back in the 1950's a man named M. King Hubbert developed a theory to predict when both U.S. and world oil production would peak. While widely criticized in his time the first part of his theory was proved correct in the mid 1970's when indeed U.S. oil production did peak, ironically right around the same time all of the OPEC countries declared an embargo on western countries for supporting Israel in

the Yom Kippur War. Of course anyone who was around at that time knows why the issue of oil supplies is of quintessential importance. Inflation, recessions, tensions between federal and provincial governments, gas station line ups, price controls and freezes and the hated NEP and were just a few of the implications that arose from such shortages. After all, we use oil for just about everything including: transportation, home heating, the production of just about all types of plastics, the creation of

clothing, detergents and especially food production. This is why it is of vast importance that people start listening to the growing chorus of geologists, physicists and economists who are warning about Peak Oil. In laymen's terms Peak Oil refers to the point in time when half the world's oil reserves have reached their peak production points and have no other choice but to decline in their output. The date this is expected to occur varies depending on which organization you

ask, but most agree sometime between 2009 and 2020 and that when it does, production is expected to drop anywhere from two to four percent annually on the global scale. For nations still reliant upon oil and gas, which looks like the majority of us, this will be a hugely unpleasant experience as suggested by even the small production declines in the 1970s. If global production is about to peak, and we are not coming up with sufficient replacements for the processes oil

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On your side.

Elect
Sarah Mowat
Wetaskiwin-Camrose



The Liberals and Conservatives are too dependent upon political donations from big oil and other large corporations to speak up for us.

Brian Mason and Alberta's NDP are on the side of middle class families:

1. Rent protection for tenants
2. Quality, affordable long term care for seniors
3. A larger share of royalties for Albertans
4. A fund for homeowners to make homes energy efficient
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On your side.

Sarah Mowat, your Alberta NDP candidate for Wetaskiwin Camrose.

- ✦ Worked with Audrey McLaughlin's campaign in the Yukon and has worked on all NDP election campaigns since
- ✦ Volunteered with various ministry tasks during college
- ✦ A main organizer for the "Free Burma Movement" in Camrose
- ✦ Studying philosophy and religious studies with a minor in political science at the University of Alberta, Augustana faculty

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Augustana Ski/Snowboard Club's Fernie Trip

If you don't know who we are, frankly I am surprised. We are the Augustana Ski and Snowboard club, one of the largest clubs on Augustana. The main goal of our club is to give students the opportunity to ski and snowboard. How do we achieve this? Well, through our Annual Fernie Trip. One tour bus, ten condos, two days of riding, and lots of off campus partying. This year we took 54 people to Fernie to experience knee-

deep powder, all for the cost of \$280 per person. Some of the main highlights of the trip would include condo party, "The borrowing of a motor vehicle", GT Sled racing down stairs, fractured ribs (yes they were fractured) by the club president before even strapping into a snowboard, goose eggs on foreheads, bus party to the condos, and let's not forget the awesome to the pants riding conditions. To really let

you see what this annual trip is all about, you really have to see the photos, or better yet come and experience it for yourself next year.

If you are interested in joining the club (everyone is welcome!) please visit <http://asscowns.it> for more details or e-mail Ryan Bray (rbray@ualberta.ca). Some of our future events for the year include a Rail Jam in the Quad, Yellow Snow Come Day in the Quad, free snowboard

lesson from a fully certified instructor, and the grand opening of our (\$7000) terrain park located minutes away from campus. Also we do provide a club card that gives you various discounts on stores in Camrose, see our website for details. I hope to see you out in some of our events, even if you don't ski or snowboard we welcome all. No go shred some gnarl!

-El Presidente,
Ryan Bray



Above: Super hero "Ryan Bray" (known better as the Guitar Hero) gave a special appearance with autographs.
Left: During a food stop at the A&W, Ben Rix (Snowboard Club Executive) was showing his costume with full pride.



Above: Our theme for the weekend was superhero or super villain, but we're not sure just what David Ball was...
Below: Kelly Olsen (a Club Executive) brought the whole crew from Sailor Moon to the after-ski party.

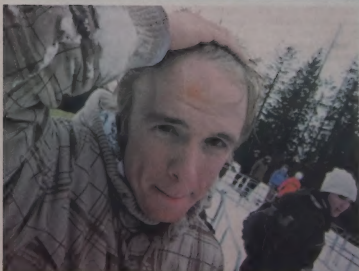


Left: Party on a tour bus can prove to be very difficult to some.
Near Right: Some didn't make it all the way to Fernie before needing a nap...
Bottom Left: Some of the crew sitting down for lunch in the chalet.
Bottom Right: Ben Rix showing how its done in knee deep pow.





Above Left: Snowboarders doing what they do best: sitting down.
 Above Right: Enjoying the peaceful surroundings of fresh gnar (fresh powder).
 Left: Famous Mike St. Denis going for gold on the GT Racer.
 Right: Proof that we do love skiers too! Especially ninja skiers.
 Lower Left: David Ball, making "friends" with the trees.
 Lower Right: Ben Rix looking ridiculously good looking.
 Bottom Left: Some make friends with trees, some make enemies.
 Bottom Right: Loading for the long journey home.



Sports



Above Left: Robyn Watkins serves the ball in the volleyball alumni game on January 19th.

Above Center: Alex Hudson does a layup in a game on January 18th.

Above Right: Matthew Koehli bumps the ball in the volleyball alumni game on January 19th.

Lower Right: Jessica Hayes sets the ball in the volleyball alumni game on January 19th.

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Are You Conditioned Today?

By Sam Adimora

Shampoo, Conditioning, Chemistry. Was the deal?

Get yo' shampoo up! Put on yo' Viking helmets, get on yo' Get-Somewhere-Shoes and hit da courts!

After a long hard first semester of lifting weights and lifting books, the basketball crew is optimistic about the new semester and the promises of victory it brings with it.

Sitting amongst the crowd of adrenalized fans in the frenetic paced basketball game of

January 11th 2K8, It was evident that both the men's and women's basketball teams had progressed with every game they have played this year.

Let's take the men's basketball team for example.

With MacEwan having the lead in points by a difference of 26, it seemed like the Vikings were crushed. The game advanced and so did the points as they fluctuated to a close proximity of a 3-point difference. Less than a minute left in the fourth quarter, and the Viking fans at this point were biting their nails

and pulling their hair in anticipation of what the fate of this game will be. Unfortunately, time and chance was not favorable to the team. The winning points outran our team, and they just didn't get there.

Still in hope and anticipation for a well-deserved Augustana victory, the fans cheer on as the Men's and Women's teams of ballers continue training to keep their game clean and conditioned.

I have put my head together with some Viking helmets and interviewed a few of these determined athletic

warriors who walk around the campus of Augustana, camouflaged as students we rub shoulders with.

Both the teams are in an optimistic season in their basketball careers. The team players felt synched. Team chemistry was intact, but due to fatigue and natural factors of that sort, haven't yet been able to show us their super ability to level the opposition. The teams are making improvements with every game played. By training harder, thinking harder, working their bodies harder, they are proving to have the

keys (Made in Augustana) to the door of victory!

And now, a word from this article's author: "Keep pressing on team! School pride!"

Hit the showers

people! Condition your jovial voices and come out to the games. Come cheer for your guys and your girls representing the name of your school in the field of athletics!

Have any sports highlights for us? Have a picture or two?

Send it in to:
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Language

Some Good Norwegian/Canadian/Lutheran Humour

Courtesy of Andreae Sartison

The background: Ole and Lena are (sometimes married) new immigrants to Canada from Norway. Sven and Lars are their friends.

Lena asks her boyfriend Ole to come over Friday night and have dinner with her parents. This being a big event, Lena tells Ole that after dinner, she would like to go out and (vell ya know) for the first time. Well, Ole is ecstatic, but he has never (vell ya know) before, so he takes a trip to the pharmacist to get some protection. The pharmacist helps Ole for about an hour. He teaches Ole everything there is to know about protection and (vell ya know). At the register, the pharmacist asks Ole how many he'd like to buy; a 3-pack, a 10-pack, or a family pack. Ole insists on the family pack

because he thinks he will be very busy, it being his first time and all.

That night, Ole shows up at the Lena's parent's house and meets her at the door. "Ole, I'm so excited for you to meet my parents, come on in." Ole goes inside and is taken to the dinner table where Lena's parents are seated. Ole quickly offers to say grace and bows his head. A minute passes and Ole is still deep in prayer with his head down. Three minutes of praying pass and still no movement from Ole. Finally, after five minutes of praying with his head down, Lena leans over and whispers to her Ole, "I had no idea you were so religious."

Ole turns and whispers back, "I had no idea your father was a pharmacist."

Ole died. So Lena went to the local paper to put a notice in the obituaries. The

gentleman at the counter, after offering his condolences, asked Lena what she would like to say about Ole.

Lena replied, "You just put 'Ole died.'" The gentleman, somewhat perplexed, said, "That's it? Just 'Ole died? Surely, there must be something more you'd like to say about Ole. If it's money you're concerned about, the first five words are free. We must say something more."

So Lena pondered for a few minutes and finally said, "O.K. You put 'Ole died. Boat for sale.'"

One particular Sunday, Ole was lying back in the hammock and, having just returned from church with Lena, was feeling a little religious.

"God," said Ole, "Ven you made Lena, vy did you make her so nice and round and so

pleasant to hold?"

Suddenly a voice from above said, "So you would love her, Ole."

"Vell then vy, oh vy," asked Ole, "vy Lord did you make her so stupid?"

"So she would love YOU," said the voice.

Ole is taking Lena out on a date. He gets home, goes upstairs where Lena is standing in the middle of the bedroom naked.

"Lena, why are you standing in the middle of the room naked?" asks Ole.

"Ohh Ole, I have absolutely nuttin ta veer!"

Ole walks over to Lena's closet and opens it.

"Lena! Vut do ya mean you have nuttin ta wear? Here's your white dress, here's your black dress, Hello Sven, here's your orange dress..."

Hast du Gebrauchsmusterschutz?

Die industrielle Landwirtschaft produziert Nahrungsmittel wie am laufenden Band - auf Kosten der Umwelt und Gesundheit.

Geschäftstüchtige Gentechnikkonzerne sichern sich mittlerweile Patente auf Pflanzen, Tiere und Teile des menschlichen Körpers. Mit diesen Lizenzen schalten sie die Konkurrenz aus und verdienen exklusiv an der Nutzung der Natur. Mindestens 1000 Patente auf die Hauptnahrungspflanzen wie Reis, Mais, Soja oder Weizen besitzt die Industrie bereits. Einst gab es in Indien z.B. rund 30 000 Reissorten. Heute spielen noch zehn eine wichtige Rolle. Mit der Vielfalt verschwindet die Grundlage für eine gesicherte Ernährung. Werden Gen-Pflanzen angebaut, können sich die Pflanzen unkontrolliert ausbreiten und die Nachbarfelder verschmutzen. Ökologischer Landbau wird zerstört, und unschuldige Bauern werden bestraft. Viele

verlieren nebenbei ihre Lebensunterstützung. Dazu, befinden sich etwa 70 Prozent der Patente in den Händen der großen Gentechnikkonzerne wie Bayer, Syngenta, DuPont und Monsanto. Ihr Ziel ist es, die gesamte Lebensmittelkette, vom Saatgut bis zum Essen, in ihre Hände zu bekommen. Das gemeinsame Erbe der Menschheit wird zum Monopol der Industrie - Leben zum Product. Das Leben ist nun patentierbar. Menschen Tiere und Pflanzen werden privatisiert, und genetisch manipuliert. Und, falls du noch eine Kleingkeit wissen willst: NIEMAND weiß, wie sich Gen-Pflanzen in der Umwelt oder auf die menschlichen Gesundheit wirken... NIEMAND!

Also, Wartet Apetit!

P.S. Bald wirdist du patentierte Fertigware. Nun, hast du Gebrauchsmusterschutz? (Falls du verdirst und irgendwas außer Gebrauch bist)

-Grähm

Arroz con pollo: (Para 4 personas)

- 2 libras de arroz
- 4 piezas de pollo
- 4 dientes de ajo
- 1 cebolla
- 2 ajíes (pimientos)
- 1 hoja de laurel
- 2 cucharadas de pure de tomate
- 1/2 taza de vino seco o cerveza
- 3 pimientos morrones (opcional)
- 4 cucharadas de grasa
- 1 cucharadita de sal
- 6 tazas de agua
- Una pizca de pimienta
- Petit-pois (opcional)
- 1 cucharadita de bijol o azafran

Preparacion:
Adobar el pollo con dos o tres horas de anticipación: polvorear la sal y frotar el ajo machacado. Sofreír ligeramente la cebolla picadita y el resto de los ajos, agregarle el pure de tomate, el ají picadito y la hoja de laurel. A este sofrito se le incorporan los pedazos de pollo dorados por ambos lados, agregar el arroz crudo y lavado, unir y sofreír todo un poco mas. Agregar el vino o cerveza y el petit-pois con una parte de los ajos picados morrones. Echar el agua a la que antes se le ha puesto el bijol o azafran. Tapar y dejar hervir a fuego vivo hasta que este casi seco. Despues, agregar la llama y dejar bien tapado hasta que acabe de secarse. Servir adornado con el resto de los pimientos morrones.

Congri: (Para 4 personas)

- 2 libras de arroz
 - 1 libra de frijol colorado
 - 1 ají
 - 1 cebolla
 - 3 dientes de ajo
 - 1 cucharadita de sal
 - 1 cucharadita de azucar
 - 1/4 cucharadita de comino
 - 1/4 cucharadita de oregano
 - 1/2 libra de recorteria de cerdo
 - 1/2 libra de empanola o similar
 - 2 cucharadas de grasa
 - 6 tazas de agua
- Preparacion:**
Lavar los frijoles y remojarlos en agua con ají y un diente de ajo machacado desde la noche anterior o por lo menos algunas horas antes. Cocinar en la misma agua del remojo hasta que se ablanden. Separar el agua de los frijoles y medir un litro de agua (o completar hasta esta medida). Sofreír la recorteria para chicharrones hasta que suelte la grasa y en esta, el comino y el oregano; así como la cebolla, el ají, y el ajo, todo bien picadito. Añadir los frijoles, el agua de los frijoles, la sal y el azucar. Cuando comience a hervir añadir el arroz ya lavado y dejarlo a fuego mediano bien tapado hasta que se ablande. Al momento de servir, sofreír la empanola en trocitos pequeños en dos cucharadas de grasa hasta que se doren, incorporar los ajos machacados hasta que tambien se doren un poquito y verterlo todo sobre el congri. Remover bien con un tenedor.

Français 222

Par Karin Rodning

Le cours de Français 222 est très unique. Quand je me suis inscrit dans ce cours, je ne savais pas ce qui m'attendait. Ce cours est différent des autres cours de langues parce que c'est un cours de vidéo conférence. Dr. Martin Beaudoin, professeur de Français au Campus Saint Jean, enseigne ce cours pour ses étudiants à Edmonton. Grâce aux technologies avancées de télécommunication, 10 étudiants d'Augustana ont l'opportunité de faire parti de cette classe aussi. On se rencontre chaque lundi à l'école secondaire pendant deux heures. On peut voir le professeur sur un écran et on peut l'entendre. Les étudiants de Français 222 au Campus St. Jean peuvent nous voir sur leur écran.

M. Beaudoin affiche sur notre écran les notes de cours, juste comme dans une classe régulière. Apres une heure, les étudiants à Edmonton partent, et nous faisons des exercices oraux pendant une heure. Comme le cours de Français 222 est un cours de prononciation et de phonétique, c'est idéal pour les étudiants de toutes niveaux de Français. Parmi les dix étudiants dans notre classe, il y a quelqu'un qui parient français seulement depuis un 2 ans, et il y en a aussi qui ont été en immersion française depuis la maternelle. A cause de son aspect d'individualisation, le cours de Français 222 permet à tous les étudiants d'améliorer leur français oral.

Writers' Corner

THEACOMPITC By Beba Murphy



Up! Up! good sirs.

Up! Up! good sirs.

This night has grown oppressive
as the air filled with mist—
turned to fog—fell as snow.
The atmosphere has slipped under
the window ajar, comes pressing
against eyelashes: who are containing
the lightest of dreams.
Up! before our breath begins to
solidify and fall and crush
our precious hearts while we sleep.

Let us away.

Out into the streets below,
we'll run over the stones who bloat
and rot as a soul does that holds
the secrets of a tragedy.
We'll run with the moonlight painted
on these frightened bodies.
We'll run with the desperate
breath escaping these terrified cavities.
We'll escape as the fox, as the
deer, as the eye of an
innocent purity has had to escape.

And to the hills.

And we'll cry
and the day will open
and we'll enter
and the fog's grip will loosen
and there'll be laughter

- Ian McPhail

Poem taken from *So Many Shepherds*

Untitled

Everyone is on their own,
With a future they themselves have sewn,
Seeds they planted,
Prayers they chanted.
Words they have immersed themselves in
That have become a part of them.
The strengths they have achieved,
Unique to each one.
Each obstacle is new.
One they can only pursue alone.
The power that has possessed them to make it through,
They push on with no wall keeping out what is yet to come.
Every new beginning is a blessed hello,
It helps them to keep going when the world seems so far away.
Grief and sorrow will not overcome all they have fought to come so far.
To reach these triumphs through all these tears,
And see tomorrow through endless years.
A star shines in the sky for them,
When yesterday tries so hard to hold them down.
Head up and tears held back,
They persevere when life comes knocking.
Life with its rotting, molding hand of time,
And they will not weep when forever takes them into ever lasting night.

- Lindsay Nadeau

Divorce

Come one, come all,
Come witness the fall,
Of red carpets, fortune, and fame.
It comes at the end,
The end of the world,
When demands outward they send,
Letters of torture,
Letters of pain,
Shots of good-bye from fake friends.
And tomorrow they come,
Tomorrow will find them,
Frozen and cold on the floor.
Good-bye to you,
Your fortune I take,
Don't worry, your friends remain true.
I promise too,
Promise that I,
Will always remember you.
And in my grief,
In this hurt so deep,
Your money will buy me relief.

- Lindsay Nadeau

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affords industrialized
economies, then it
follows logically that we
should begin to prepare
for the ever widening gap
that is soon to exist
between supply and

demand. Maybe we will
find alternatives, but in
all fairness "maybe" is
never a good philosophy
to apply to situations
which deal with people's
wallets or futures. Like
the threat of global
warming we need to

start dealing with this
threat now.

Considering the
information presented
above, I would like to
encourage all students
here at Augustana,
politically active or not,
to come and attend a

screening of the
documentary about Peak
Oil titled "A Crude
Awakening-The Oil
Crash" on Tuesday
February 26th, 7:00 pm
in the Faith and Life
Center. Guest speaker
Ricardo Acuna, executive

director of the Parkland
Institute will speak after
the screening on what
Peak Oil means for local
Albertan communities
and will take questions
from interested parties.
On top of that we may
see and hear a few of the

candidates running for
MLA in this area during
the night too. Admission
is free and I hope this
sparks some interest in
the subject.

- Daniel Vallieres

Professor Profiles: Murray Lauber



What do you teach at Augustana?

I have taught mathematics courses for science students as well as one math course for students from a variety of disciplines. This year I am teaching only the latter course, Mat 107, higher arithmetic, as a sessional. I am Professor Emeritus of the U of A, having officially retired from my permanent stream position on June 30, 2007.

What made you first think of becoming a professor?

I spent a number of years teaching high school courses in conjunction with administration but, in 1986 and 1987,

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This outlines how members/employees of the university are restricted in participating in competitions or draws that are conducted by the university body. Her committee is presently working on revising the SA Grants (that's right! The SA can give you money in scholarships and Grants too!)

The Augustana Students Association meets weekly throughout the school year and their meetings are open for students to attend. If you'd like more information, stop by their office at F&L 207. And the next time you see these folks ask them what's happening on campus. They're ASS, they're Augustana Students' Association, and they're your representation!

abilities of students.

What is the best/worst part of being a prof?

The best part: students with math phobia learning to love mathematics. The worst part: handing back exams and assigning marks that are not up to the potential or the expectations of students.

If you had to be something other than a prof, what would it be?

It might be working in a nursery. I plant and tend trees for a hobby. More on that below.

What do you want your students to know about you?

I find mathematics to be an engaging discipline and I hope my fascination with mathematical problems is catching. I hope they know that I believe that mathematical reasoning can contribute significantly to their development as persons. But, I also hope that they are aware that I see mathematics as only part of their development, that there are other disciplines and interests that they need to pursue to live a fulfilling life, and that the benefits of studying mathematics will be greatest if it is related to other interests and pursuits. I hope also that I model for them a spirit of caring, and of

fairness, and of generosity in how I relate to them.

Are you married? Have kids? Pets? Hobbies?

I am married and have two adult married daughters, both of whom have studied at Augustana, and both of whom now live in Calgary. My wife, Sylvia, is Executive Secretary to the Superintendent for the Battle River School Division. We have no pets but I guess you could say that we have a "granddog". Our daughter Heidi and her husband Chris have a dog, Amiga, that they adopted from the Cochrane Humane Society.

My most compelling hobby: I plant and tend trees. Since I began this hobby in 1980, I have planted several thousand trees in four different shelterbelts, three of them on the Woodwind Ranch on the lip of the Battle River near Camrose. One of those is now a fairly mature shelterbelt. I am planning to plant another shelterbelt this spring for the Solverson family who own the Woodwind Ranch.

What inspired some of your courses?

The inspiration for my courses comes from the allure of mathematical

thinking and of mathematical problem solving, my fascination for the way that mathematics developed historically, my curiosity about the way that mathematical thinking and knowledge develops in the individual and about how that seems to parallel its development in history, and my conviction that an appreciation for mathematics and facility in mathematical thinking can enrich students' lives.

Since I began teaching university courses I have shared on a regular basis with my peers my fascination with captivating mathematical problems through articles published in journals with a teaching focus. These articles have grown out of problems that I have encountered in my preparations for classroom teaching and have focused as much on the exploration processes involved in problem solving as on the solutions themselves.

What are some of the changes you've noticed around Augustana Campus, and where do you think we are going or should go?

Since I came to then Camrose Lutheran College in 1966, there have been immense changes. We have always aimed at the development of the

whole person within an academic focus. Our amalgamation with the U of A has given us access to resources that have helped us and should continue to help us to achieve some of the important objectives that we have had for some time. We need to maintain a focus on teaching and on scholarship that enriches teaching. We need also to maintain a vision for a liberal education that encompasses breadth and interdisciplinary thinking along with depth.

If you could force every student to take one of your classes, what would it be? What's the most important thing you teach?

It would probably be the Higher Arithmetic course. That course provides a very significant exposure to logic. It also includes a fair bit of history of mathematics through the study of early numeration systems. The study of logic exposes students to the most important aspects of mathematical reasoning. The study of early numeration systems provides perspective that should allow students to fully appreciate our Hindu/Arabic system of numeration and to view mathematical knowledge in general in a new light.

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Quote of the Month

The opposite of love is not hate, it's indifference.
The opposite of art is not ugliness, it's indifference.
The opposite of faith is not heresy, it's indifference.
And the opposite of life is not death, it's indifference.

-Elie Wiesel

Photo of the Month



Here's this month's Photo of the Month!
SA President Thomas Mauthe in a dress, after losing a bet with Dean Roger Epp
over who would win the Grey Cup (Roughriders won)

Send us your zany, crazy, or other miscellaneous photos to